HARDCORE TOP HONOR STUDENT FUJIMORI HIROYA
HE'S SMART BUT HE HASN'T GOT THE SORT OF COMMON SENSE THAT COMES FROM LIVING IN "THE REAL WORLD"
HE'S SO INNOCENT, HE'S LIKE A TOTAL BABY OR AN ALIEN
HE WENT AND DYED HIS HAIR BROWN TO IMITATE ME
AND HE WEARS A RUBY EARRING IN HIS RIGHT EAR THAT I CONVINCED HIM TO GET
EXHIBIT A
HE SAYS THINGS LIKE THAT WITH SUCH A SINCERE EXPRESSION
...ALL THAT
SORRY, IT WAS MY FAULT
THEN
EVEN THOUGH I WAS A TOTAL DICK TO HIM AND TEASED HIM.
EXHIBIT B
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M ASKING FOR A CLEAN SLATE
WON'T YOU BE MY FRIEND?

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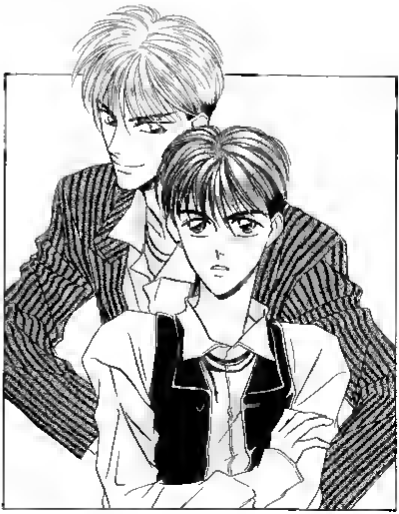

ARE YOU REALLY 16, MASAKI?
NO, I MEAN, IT'S NOT LIKE I THINK YOU WERE HELD BACK OR ANYTHING... BUT YOU SEEM REALLY MATURE.
IT'S ME THAT CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE THE SAME AGE AS I AM!
THEN WE'RE 2 MONTHS AND 16 DAYS APART?
WELL I NEVER FAILED
MY BIRTHDAY'S APRIL 3RD.
BUT WE'RE TOTALLY DIFFERENT, AREN'T WE, YOU AND ME?
IT'S KIND OF INTER-ESTING!
YOU JUST DON'T HAVE THE SAME... AIR ABOUT YOU AS SOMEONE WHO'S THE SAME AGE AS ME... I NEVER EVEN THOUGHT THAT YOU MIGHT BE.
OPEN
WANNA COME OVER?
YEAH!
I NEVER THOUGHT THAT THIS TOTAL OPEN INNO-CENCE COULD COME FROM SOMEONE THE SAME AGE AS ME!

NO MATTER HOW I LOOK AT HIM, HE'S GOT THE PERSONALITY OF AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLER.

I GUESS EVEN FROM HERE, WHILE I'M STILL LEARNING, I'M GOING TO HEAR THAT A LOT, HUH?
HERE, READ THAT!
OK
but I want to keep learning from him,

HEY...
HOW'S THE PIERCING?
NUZ
AAH!
HANG ON— MASAKI!
C'MON IT'S ALRIGHT
YOU... YOU'RE TEASING ME AGAIN, AREN'T YOU?
THIS IS REALLY WEIRD BETWEEN TWO GUYS... ISN'T IT?

I TOLD YOU BEFORE, DIDN'T I?
IT'S JUST MASTURBATION FOR TWO!
WHETHER IT'S ONE GUY OR TWO GUYS. FOOLING AROUND IS FOOLING AROUND...
FELT GOOD, DIDN'T IT?
YEAH... WHEN YOU SAY IT THAT WAY I GUESS...
IS THIS "PRACTICE" AGAIN...?
squeeze
COME ON, GRAB IT!
Hhhh
M-MASAKI...
slide...
HMM?
BUT WHEN IT'S LIKE THIS...
ISN'T IT KIND OF LIKE HAVING SEX...?
PING
THIS GUY...

thunk
...IT'S GONE SOFT.
EVEN THOUGH I ONLY WANTED TO PLAY
AND ONLY MADE IT TO B, THIS QUALIFIES AS FULL-ON SEX?!
HE REALLY DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING
HU-H
MASAKI...?
IS HE REALLY THIS MUCH OF AN IDIOT NATURALLY?!
AND THAT WOULD BE EXHIBIT C, IN SUPPORT OF "FUJIMOTO IS AN ALIEN"!
I'M SORRY. IS IT MY FAULT?
I KNOW THIS IS ALL FOR MY SAKE... YOU JUST WANT TO TEACH ME ABOUT FOOLING AROUND TOO...
RECENTLY WE'VE BEEN PLAYING DODGEBALL WITH THE "FOOLING AROUND" IDEA... HE CAN'T JUST "PLAY" LIKE NORMAL PEOPLE... HE DOESN'T EVEN DO IT ON HIS OWN!
IS THERE ANY OTHER GUY WHO'S AS NAIVE AS THIS!?

RIDGE RACER
THIS GUY
MID-AUGUST
MOOOOOOM

YOU GUYS EATING LUNCH? I'VE GOT AN APPOINTMENT AT 1:30 SO .
ALRIGHT, GOING TO THE LIBRARY?
YEAH, THIS MONTH I BARELY FINISH ONE REPORT AND THEY'VE GIVEN ME ANOTHER TO WORK ON.
trudge
I SEE, IT'S BECAUSE IT'S SUMMER VACATION. BUT STICK WITH IT, OK?
IF YOU DON'T STUDY YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET INTO A GOOD UNIVERSITY, AFTER ALL
fuu
THAT CONVERSATION'S LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF THE TV DRAMA, "STUDIOUS PARENT AND CHILD".
BUT I'M GOING TO GO MY OWN WAY
I'M GOING OUT!
I'M NOT GOING TO FOLLOW HER PLANS FOR ME
hop

I FINALLY MADE FRIENDS WITH MASAKI AND HE'S EVEN BECOME MY TEACHER.
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO WASTE ON THE WORRIES OF BEING AN HONOR STUDENT ANYMORE
adopting Masaki's way of speaking
IT'S FUCKIN' HOT
UHEEE EEH

201
CHISATO MAKI
Ku
!
kuchun
Kinyoboooo

HEY, TAKASHI, SOMEONE'S HERE
NN
GH
pinch
dingdoong
SNAP!
GO HOME SOON, WILL YA?
ISN'T IT A LITTLE EARLY TO BE FLIRTING WITH OTHER GUYS?
THAT'S NOT IT, IT'S A FRIEND FROM SCHOOL
SLEPT TOO LONG!!
WHAT TIME IS IT!?
jump
UHMM... IT'S 12:20
SO GET OUT ALREADY!
I GET IT...
but I'm takin a shower first

ding
dooong
.....
MAYBE HE HASN'T COME BACK FROM HIS PART-TIME JOB YET...
turn
WONDER IF HE'S STILL AT HIS MOM'S SHOP?
brush
sacha
OOH
THERE YOU ARE
aah
GOOD MORNING!
IT'S PAST 12 ALREADY, YA KNOW?

COME IN.
I'D PLANNED TO THROW THAT GUY OUT BEFORE FUJIMOTO CAME OVER AND NOW I'VE GOT HIM LOUNGING IN THE SHOWER.
.....
plunk
HE REALLY IS PUNC-TUAL!
PLOP
kiss

Hiyuk
CUT IT OUT!
YOU'RE STILL NOT UP?
YOU SAID YOU'D TEACH ME TO PLAY BILLIARDS TODAY
DIDN'T YOU?!
dmnd

I'M STILL SLEEPY.
DID YOU STAY OUT LAST NIGHT OR SOMETHING?
YOU TOLD ME YOU WERE GOING HOME, SO I THOUGHT .
MY BROTHER'S FRIEND CAME OVER TO HANG OUT
DID YOU GET DRUNK AGAIN?!
IDIOT, DO YOU SMELL ALCOHOL ON ME?
WHAT DID YOU DO THEN? STAY UP ALL NIGHT TOGETHER?
NOTHING LIKE THIS EVER HAPPENS TO YOU?
EH, GUESS NOT. THE ONLY TIME YOU STAY UP ALL NIGHT IS "STUDYING"
grab

ASSHOLE, THAT TICKLES!
tickle
tickle
tickle
WELL IT'S SUPPOSED TO!
CUT IT OUT, FEELS GROSS!
thrash
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO USED STUDYING AGAINST ME!
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT, I GIVE UP...
haa
LET GO OF ME!!
tackle
YOU'RE HEAVY, MASAKI!
SHUT UP!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO STARTED IT!
I'D RATHER GO PLAY BILLARDS THAN FOOL AROUND
DISOBEY-ING ME?

I GUESS I'M GOING TO HAVE TO BAPTISE YOU BY FIRE, THE SAME WAY MY BROTHER'S LOUSY FRIEND DID FOR ME
cheeky...
UH...
lift
IT DOESN'T MATTER TO ME IF THE SEX IS GAY OR HETERO
ALL EXPERIENCES BOIL DOWN INTO NOTHING BUT "FOOLING AROUND" IN THE END
AND I'LL TEACH YOU WHAT I'VE LEARNED FROM ALL THOSE "ADVENTURES"
YOUR FIRST KISS RUNNING DOWN YOUR SPINE, HUH
AH...
LOOK
EVEN IF YOU SAY YOU DON'T WANT TO, YOUR DICK SAYS YOU DO

Y... YOU JUST WANT TO HAVE YOUR OWN WAY,
YOU'RE PUTTING WORDS INTO MY MOUTH!
MOU
WHY YOU SULKY LITTLE PERVERT!
squeeze
AAH
GEEZ DON'T PUT THIS ON ME...!
EH...!
THEN I'LL TEACH YOU TO PLAY BILLIARDS
NN...
OKAY OKAY
BUT I GET MINE FIRST
ALRIGHT

SFX GACHA
カチャ
HEY, HE'S PRETTY CUTE YOU'LL LEND HIM TO ME WHEN YOU'RE DONE, WON'T YOU?
WHAT'S THIS, EH? I GUESS WHEN THE CAT'S AWAY, THE MICE WILL PLAY...
HAVING FUN?
FWAP
ARE YOU STILL HERE? USELESS LEECH!
TAKASHI
bluuuush'''
WHAT ARE YOU MAD ABOUT?
GO HOME!

I'M NOT KIDDING, AND IF YOU LAY SO MUCH AS A FINGER ON THIS GUY I'LL...
I GOT IT!
SWAP
I'M JUST GETTING IN THE WAY, SO...
KICK YOUR SORRY ASS!!
SHUT THE DOOR!
JUMP
PSHH

WHY ARE YOU SO TIMID?
ARE YOU SCARED? WHY I AREN'T YOU SAYING ANYTHING?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT!
COME HERE
DON'T WORRY ABOUT HIM
—HE'S MY BROTHER'S FRIEND
—THAT GUY— WHO WAS HE? HE SAW US DIDN'T HE?
HE PROBABLY THOUGHT THAT WE WERE GAY
if that's so, then—
EH—!?
AH— LIKE WHEN HE TOLD HIM TO KEEP HIS HANDS OFF ME BEFORE
yank
BUT DON'T GET TOO CLOSE TO HIM
ALRIGHT?!

Hu
h
?
COULD IT BE
HE'S— YAKUZA?

CHISATO-SAN SEEMS LIKE A PRETTY NICE PERSON—
IT'S KIND OF HARD TO BELIEVE THAT HE WOULD HAVE FRIENDS LIKE THAT
CARELESS? CARELESS HOW?
WHATEVER, TIME FOR BILLIARDS!

haa...
NO
BUT THAT GUY'S PERSONALITY MIGHT BE EVEN WORSE THAN THAT
UNDERSTAND, FUJIMOTO? AND NOT JUST HIM, BE CAREFUL AROUND ALL OF HIS FRIENDS
SOME ARE PRETTY INFLUENTIAL AND IMPRESSIVE, BUT ALL OF THEM ARE CARELESS

WHAT?! DON'T IGNORE MY QUESTION!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND

IT'S A SECRET FROM MY BROTHER THAT HE'S MY FUCK BUDDY.
MY BROTHER'S ACTUALLY SURPRISINGLY LOYAL TO THAT GUY BUT IT'S NOT EXACTLY RECIPROCAL AND I HAVEN'T GOT THE HEART TO TELL HIM
I'M GONNA TAKE A SHOWER...
UMM...
WON'T THAT GUY TALK TO CHISATO-SAN ABOUT WHAT HE SAW?
NO...
I WANT TO PLAY BILLIARDS, DON'T YOU?
THERE'S A BOOK ABOUT IT IN THE LIVING ROOM WHY DON'T YOU GO LOOK UP THE RULES WHILE YOU WAIT?
Paaa
OK!

WITH THOSE MANIPULATIVE EYES?
sparkle
WHENEVER HE'S HAPPY WITH ME, THEY SEEM TO SHINE LIKE STARS
and then I want to knock him down
MOWE
and fool around
「 ……… 」
MOWE
bunn
I CAN'T
HE'S NOT LIKE OTHER PEOPLE, HE DOESN'T EVEN THINK ABOUT NORMAL
ARGH BUT HE ONLY LETS ME GET TO B AND HE THINKS IT'S SEX
WHY DOES HE HAVE TO BE SO CUTE…
sheesh

NOWADAYS IT'S TOTALLY NORMAL FOR A GIRL TO GO TO A HOTEL WITH YOU ON THE FIRST DATE... NOT THAT I THINK OF HIM THE SAME WAY AS ONE OF THOSE GIRLS BUT...
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE THAT GUY HE'S SO TOTALLY INNOCENT THAT
I CAN'T REALLY EXPECT ANYTHING LIKE THAT FROM HIM.
...AND I'VE ONLY FOOLED AROUND
Only to D
AND YOU'RE A STUDENT, FUJI-KUN?
We're already got our names for each other—Satoshi and Fujikun
YEAH, HIGH SCHOOL 1ST YEAR
REALLY? BEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE, ISN'T IT?
SAITA-SAN, I HEARD YOU'RE CHISATO-SAN'S GOOD FRIEND—
YEP, I'M OVER HERE A LOT TO LET HIM LOOK AFTER THINGS WHEN HE'S AWAY.
HEEH.
SAITA-SAN, YOU SAID YOU'RE A COORDINATOR? WHAT'S THAT LIKE?

HOW ABOUT YOU AND TAKASHI?
HOW CLOSE HAVE YOU GOTTEN?
umm...
I GUESS WE'RE CLOSE ENOUGH THAT WE'RE TOGETHER ALMOST EVERY DAY
OOOH.
BUT DON'T YOU THINK TAKASHI SUCKS AT ORAL?
eh?
?
WHAT THE HELL IS "ORAL"?
gishi...
ORAL SEX, OF COURSE!
WHEN YOU USE YOUR MOUTH ON THIS

SEX!?
SE...SEX? WE'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING LIKE THAT!
MA...MASAKI AND I AREN'T LIKE THAT...
squeeze...
HAH, THEN WHAT WERE YOU TWO UP TO BACK THERE?
LOOKED TO BE SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
W...WE WERE JUST FOOLING AROUND A LITTLE...
HO
!?

YOU...
PIECE OF SHIT...!
DAA
PUNC
I WARNED YOU...

I TOLD YOU THAT IF YOU LAID A FINGER ON HIM, I'D KILL YOU!
I WARNED YOU, DIDN'T I?!
THUD
GEH...
cough
cough...

SHI-
T
SMACK
SWING
lost
KICK
PUNCH
SMASH

haa
haa
haa
haa...
CRAZY LITTLE BOY!
SCUM-SUCKING STANDARD-LESS PLAYBOY!
WHY YOU...!
huh?
ST STOP IT—
YOU CAN'T USE VIOLENCE!
DON'T BUTT IN, FUJIMOTO
DON'T! YOU COULD GET SUSPENDED! CALM DOWN, MASAKI

HE DIDN'T TOUCH ME! HE WAS JUST TALKING TO ME, THAT'S ALL!
HE DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WEIRD TO ME SO—!!
PIOP
LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE GETTING LIGHT HEADED ANYWAY
shake
AH—

TH...THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER SEEN A FIGHT...
WHA...WHAT SHOULD I DO FOR FIRST AID?
YOU COULD BRING ME A TOWEL. THERE SHOULD BE ONE ON THE SHELF IN THE BATHROOM.
fuss
fuss
...
quiver...
OKAY
...WELL, WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?!
.....
Patta
Patta
Patta...

haa
IF I EVER DID HAVE SEX WITH THAT GUY
I'M BEGINNING TO THINK HE'D BE WORRIED ABOUT GETTING PREGNANT.
I HEARD THAT MUCH.
AND I ALSO HEARD THAT YOU HAVEN'T HAD SEX WITH THAT KID
HE'S FUJIMOTO.
WHAT'S HE TO YOU?
KUU
ouch

THINK I'D CHEAT ON CHISATO AGAIN?
NEVER STOPPED YOU BEFORE
NAH... IT'S MORE TROUBLE THAN IT'S WORTH, YA KNOW
HE'S A LITTLE TOO PURE FOR ME, ANYHOW. AND I REALLY DIDN'T TOUCH HIM.
IT'S FINE ISN'T IT?
WHATEVER...
ANYWAY
WHATEVER
I GUESS I THOUGHT OF THAT AT THE TIME—
but after that I never had the chance to fix it.
TAKASHI, DID YOU GIVE HIM THAT PIERCING?
A PIERCING IN ONLY THE RIGHT EAR IS A SYMBOL OF A GAY LOVER
twitch
.....

Pata
pata
Pata
A CUTE BOY LIKE FUJIKIN WALKING AROUND WITH SOMETHING LIKE THAT YOU GAVE HIM?
IS THAT OK?
WE WERE NEVER REALLY FIGHTING, JUST TALKING WITH OUR FISTS, EH, TAKASHI?
D|— DID YOU GUYS MAKE UP —?
YEAH
ho
UM— THE TOWEL—
OH
THANKS

THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER SEEN A FIST-FIGHT!
I ALWAYS THOUGHT I'D LIKE TO SEE A REAL ONE JUST ONCE!
heh...
WELL...
HOW WAS IT?
I LOOKS PAINFUL
Puh
THIS KID'S ABOUT AS INTERESTING AS IT GETS.
Kukuku...
WELL KEEP YOUR MITT'S OFF OF HIM, HE'S NONE OF YOUR CONCERN

PUNCH...
FUGUU
SA...SAITA-SAN!?
WHA...
!?

AH
NN.
ASS-
HOLE...

TAKE THIS!
NOW, NOW...
LET'S PLAY AGAIN SOME-TIME, FUJI-KUN
GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT, IF YOU WANT, WE CAN PLAY SOME MORE ADULT GAMES.
DON'T WORRY, I'LL TEACH YOU...

TOSS
duck
SEE YA!
SHIT...
WHAT COULD HE MEAN BY "ADULT GAMES", I WONDER...?
ACT.1 END

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ACT. 2 〈Trouble Mission–The first part〉

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TONK...
click
AH
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
YOU REALLY HAVEN'T GOT ANY TALENT AT ALL.
WATCH CLOSELY

tonk
clack
clack
leAN...
AAH
YOU GOT THEM IN ON ONE TRY!!
AWESOME!!
IT'S EASY BUT
YOU CAN'T AIM STRAIGHT AT ONE OF THE BALLS OR ANOTHER YOU HAVE TO TAKE A SHOT THAT'S A LITTLE OFF-CENTER
O .OKAY

NOW, GET DOWN.
GET YOUR HEAD LEVEL WITH THE CUE
SHOOT!
tonk
roll
stop
OH COME ON
IF YOU CAN'T EVEN HIT ONE BALL THEN YOU CAN'T PLAY IN A GAME!
DID YOU LEAVE YOUR BRAIN IN SCHOOL WHEN YOU LEFT.....

THAT WAS KIND OF THE POINT, YEAH
LET'S GO BACK
THIS IS A WASTE OF TIME AND MONEY
I'LL PAY
POINT
YOU SUCK AT BILLIARDS
—I'M SORRY

search
MASAKI
HE'S GONE
GUESS HE GAVE UP

MY CLASSES AT SCHOOL ARE IN THE SAME PATTERN
EVEN THOUGH I'VE ALWAYS BEEN IN THE TOP 75% OF MY CLASS
IF WE GO TO AN ARCADE, I'M ALWAYS THE FASTEST GAME OVER OR THE LOWEST ON THE SCORECHART
AND AT BOWLING, I'M LUCKY IF I GET ANYTHING BUT STRAIGHT GUTTERS ALL THE WAY THROUGH
I'M TOTALLY USELESS AT IT...
I GUESS EVEN THOUGH WE'RE FRIENDS, I'M STILL A NUISCIANCE TO HIM
AND THE ONE WHO ALWAYS HAS TO INVITE HIM NOW IS ME...
EVEN IF HE AIMS THE CUE FOR ME IN BILLIARDS I UNDERSTAND THE THEORY BEHIND IT PERFECTLY
WHEN IT COMES TO THE REAL THING
I CAN'T APPLY ANY OF IT TO REALITY LIKE I WANTED...
HEY, THAT'S FUJIMOTO, ISN'T IT?
FUJIMOTO?
FROM CLASS 1A, THE GUY WHO HAD THE BEST SCORES IN FIRST TERM

WHAT, YOU ACTUALLY WENT TO LOOK AT THE STANDINGS?!
YOU DIDN'T MAKE THE 100 DID YOU?
HEY, HOW ABOUT WE TRY AND CALL HIM OVER?
THAT GUY?

C'MON, LET'S TEASE HIM A LITTLE
niya
AH— MUST BE ONE OF MASAKI'S FRIENDS—
HUH? COULD IT BE, FUJIMOTO?
EH?
HYAA
HEY, IT IS FUJIMOTO YOU GUYS!
eeh?
AH— HEY THERE—
JUST LIKE MASAKI SAID!

HEY, CHECK OUT THE HAIR!
days
YEAH
HE'S GONE BROWN
days
I... IT DOESN'T SUIT ME, I KNOW...
Slide
NO IT REALLY DOES!
Y... YOU THINK?
YEAH, I THINK IT'S CUTE
WHAT'S... GOING ON?
YOU WERE LIKE A TOTAL GEEK IN SCHOOL AND NOW IT'S LIKE YOU'VE TOTALLY CHANGED, ISN'T IT?!
I... I GUESS
O-OH, AND YOU'RE ALL DECKED OUT FROM TOP TO BOTTOM! ON A DATE?
NOT EXACTLY
PICKING UP CHICKS?
IDIOT, THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL WOULD NEVER STOOP TO PICKING UP GIRLS ON THE STREET! IT WOULD LOOK REALLY BAD, WOULDN'T IT?

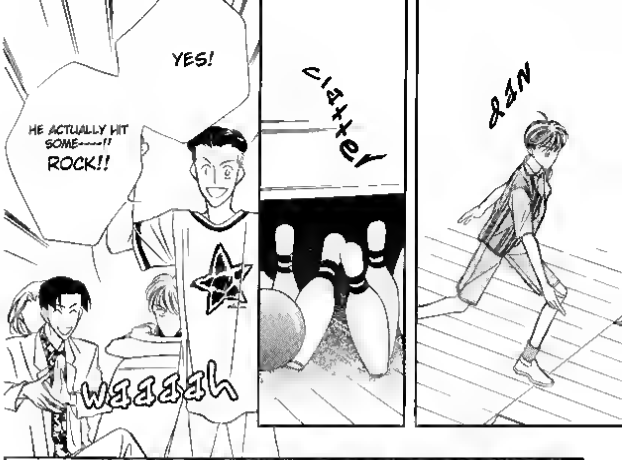
OH, IS THAT SO? STILL GOT TO KEEP UP APPEARANCES, EH
WELL IT'S FATE I SUPPOSE
hahaha
HEY, HOW ABOUT WE PLAY WITH THIS GUY TODAY?
hihi
IS THAT SO?
hihi
SO WHERE WE GOIN?
HUH? WEREN'T WE GOING BOWLING?
seems to be taking the place of "Ryu"
WE'RE GONNA HAVE A GOOD LONG LAUGH ABOUT THE "NEW FUJIMOTO"
HEY, YOU GOT AN EARRING TOO?
YE YEAH
giku
ALRIGHT, LET'S GO
WHERE-WHERE? UHYAA
THAT'S SO COOL

WHAT? IT'S ONLY THE RIGHT ONE
EH— NO— NO I'M NOT
WELL- WELLWELL
ISN'T THAT NICE, IT SUITS YOU FUJIMOTO LOOKS GREAT!
SO YOU'RE A FAG?
I— I GUESS SO
BOOKS
OH!
HEEEEY
MASAKI!

WANNA GO BOWLING WITH US?
FUJIMOTO'S COMIN' WITH US
EH— with people like this—
HEEH? SERIOUSLY?
FUJIMOTO—!?
WHY'S HE WITH THESE GUYS
over here—
BUT DID YOU KNOW
THIS GUY REALLY, REALLY SUCKS?
PU!!
WELL PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

RIGHT, FUJIMOTO?
YE...YEAH
CRASH
OOOOO OOH
ALRIGHT! 3 STRIKES IN A ROW!

LEAVE IT TO ME
NEXT UP IS FUJI-MOTO!
PLEASE DON'T SCREW UP, WE WANNA COMPETE!
YE... YEAH OK
Ka...
KATHUNK
OOOH, AND FUJIMOTO ROLLS A GUTTER!!! TOO BAD!
WAY TO GO
hahaa...
0 POINTS AGAIN, HUH?
I'LL TRY TO PAY MORE ATTENTION THIS TIME!


YES!
HE ACTUALLY HIT SOME----!! ROCK!!
waaaah
clatter
rain

I KIND OF GOT DRAGGED INTO THIS
THANK GOODNESS, IT'S NOT 0 POINTS AGAIN

N
BUT
HEY, THAT'S MINE, DON'T DRINK IT ALL!
AND I WANT TO GO HOME...!

FUN
MASAKI'S EYES
ARE SAYING "IDIOT"
AH...
"SO YOUR LUCK HAS GOTTEN YOU IN WITH MY FRIENDS BUT
THEY'RE BOUND TO LAUGH AT YOU WHEN THEY REALIZE YOU'RE NO GOOD AT ANYTHING BUT STUDYING."

OH YE... YEAH
GO FOR IT! WE NEED TO KILL 'EM WITH THIS SHIT!
DON'T SQUAT WHEN YOU THROW IT, YOU'RE WOBBLING
IT'S YOUR TURN MASTER-FUJIMOTO
BECAUSE
baa

AH SHIT, ANOTHER GUTTER-BALL
hya ha ha ha
GYAAHAHAHA, YOU SUCK, MAN
WHAT, HE STILL CAN'T THROW IT IN A STRAIGHT LINE?!
I'VE NEVER SEEN A SCORE LIKE THAT IN MY WHOLE LIFE!
ha ha ha

SHIT MAN YOU'RE RICH, WON'T YOU LEND ME SOME?
YEAH
NEXT LETS GO TO AN ARCADE
HERE, PAY FOR IT
O...OKAY
IT'S YOUR TREAT TONIGHT
EH..?
UM...ALRIGHT, BUT...
Pa
THANKS!
AH...
SEGA
NIII

turn
THANKS
HERE YA GO
toss

AH
THEY EVEN USED UP MY BUS FARE
SEEYA LATER, FUJIMOTO
SO WHERE WE GOIN' NEXT?
I'M HUNGRY, WHAT TIME IS IT?
UMM. GETTIN G TO BE 7
HOW ABOUT MOS*?
*TINDY MOSBURGER, JAPANESE FAST FOOD CHAIN
MASAKI

IT SEEMS AS THOUGH YAMASHITA REALLY LIKES YOU
SO THIS AUTUMN YOU'LL HAVE A CHANCE TO MAKE UP FOR IT
I KNOW THAT LAST TIME YOU PASSED ON REIJI YAMASHITA'S JOB BUT
社長室
JUST IN PRO
EX.PLAZA

SEEMS HE WANTS CHISATO MAKI'S HAIR AND MAKEUP
OR SO HE SAYS

KANAE
YOU KNOW THAT I DETEST THAT MAN, DON'T YOU?
UH
WELL YEAH, I KNOW
BUT
AH
snatch

YOU SMOKE TOO MUCH
AH...YEAH... SORRY...
IN ANY CASE, I DON'T REALLY WANT TO WORK WITH THAT GUY AGAIN
AND I TOLD YOU THAT CLEARLY AFTER LAST SPRING
BUT CHISATO, YOU CAN'T SAY NO TO REIJI YAMASHITA...
HE DOESN'T WANT ME TO WORK WHENEVER YOU TRY TO TALK ABOUT THE JOB. HE DEGENERATES INTO A COMMON MOLESTOR. HE CAN'T KEEP HIS HANDS OFF THE STAFF
AH
THAT GUY!...
TREATED ME LIKE HE WOULD HAVE TREATED A HOSTESS, I'M NOT KIDDING...!

ISN'T A JOKE!!
THIS REALLY..
REIJI IS GOING TO... SHIT, THIS FUCKS UP EVERYTHING FOR ME...!
IN MORE THAN 10 YEARS I'VE NEVER PULLED SO MANY STRINGS FOR ONE GUY
I UNDERSTAND
STILL THIS IS THE ONE PARTNER I CAN'T PUSH ASIDE.....!!
IF THAT'S HOW YOU FEEL, THEN I'LL FIND A WAY OUT OF IT FOR YOU
AND YOU PLAYING HARD-TO-GET ALL THIS TIME AND STILL TRYING TO USE ME TO GET YOU OUT OF THIS SORT OF THING...!

IF I HAVE TO ADMIT THIS TO REIJI'S STAFF...
EVEN FOR CHISATO'S SAKE I'LL BE...
THIS IS...
I'VE TRIED TO TELL YOU MY CIRCUMSTANCES BUT...
KANAE
SOMETIMES I THINK I'M 3,000 YEARS TO EARLY TO EVER CAPTURE HIM QUITE THE WAY I'D LIKE!
IF HE LETS THIS GO THEN FROM HERE ON "JUST IN PRO" ISN'T GOING TO OFFER HIM ANYTHING
AND THEN, OF COURSE, I'D NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN!!

THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU
I JUST WANT TO DO MY BEST TO PUT ON A GOOD SHOW
"nothing to do with you"
CRY
PAIN
HACHA...
BYE
MY— WHAT HAPPENED TO CHISATO-SENSEI?
I brought him some tea...
HE LEFT

THANKS, CHISATO
HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU LEFT ME WITH A TASTE OF FEELING BROKEN-HEARTED?
haa
MAYBE I SHOULD GO BULLY TAKASHI
SLAM
VROOOOM
I KNOW THAT MASAKI REALLY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE CHISATO I LONG FOR
BUT TO BE PRACTICAL: LEASURE IS PLEASURE
AND WITH HIS DIRECT NATURE, HE CAN UNDER-STAND THAT

EVEN THOUGH THE TWO OF THEM ARE HALF BROTHERS WITH DIFFERENT FATHERS, THEY'RE POLAR OPPOSITES.....
I'M PRETTY SURE THAT KID'S GOING TO TURN INTO A PLAYBOY LIKE ME
I GUESS HE ALREADY WENT HOME AND ISN'T COMING BACK
MASAKI

I GUESS I DIDN'T EXPECT FOR HIM TO ACT LIKE A VERY GOOD FRIEND IN A SITUATION LIKE THAT BUT
WHEN WE WERE ALONE TOGETHER, HE WAS LITTLE BIT KINDER TO ME
I GUESS HE SHOWED ME
THEY RIPPED ME OFF SO BAD THAT I DON'T EVEN HAVE ENOUGH MONEY LEFT IN MY WALLET TO CATCH THE BUS HOME
MASAKI
SO I'M SURE
HEY MASAKI
SORRY ABOUT THIS, BUT I COULDN'T CATCH THE BUS
IF I SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT
DIDN'T GO ALONG WITH THEM BLINDLY BUT
HE DIDN'T PROTECT ME EVEN ONCE

IDIOT
IF YOU DON'T SPEAK UP HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW YOU NEED SOMETHING?
ruffle
MAYBE HE'D SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT
MASAKI
!
MASAKI ISN'T THE SAME AS HIS FRIENDS
HE'S NOT

CHISATO IS DOING SOME WORK ON A PHOTOSHOOT TONIGHT SO
I GUESS HE WON'T BE HOME FOR A GOOD 2 OR 3 HOURS
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT WILD, HOT BODY OF HIS ♡
HM?
FUUKUN?

HEY
JUMP
AH...
bafa
IS HE CRYING?
WHAT A LONG FACE, DID SOMETHING HAPPEN?
DID YOU HAVE A FIGHT WITH TAKASHI?

NO
PEELD
EXCUSE ME
AH, I'LL SEE YOU HOME
WHERE'S YOUR HOUSE?
AH—
HE'S THIN
EVEN MORE DELICATE THAN TAKASHI THE FIRST TIME I MADE LOVE TO HIM
I HAD MY SIGHTS SET ON SOME SEX WITH TAKASHI BUT
THIS IS A CHANCE TO BAG A NEW PLAYMATE

I CAME THIS WAY LOOKING FOR CHISATO, BUT HIS CAR'S NOT THERE SO IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S ALREADY GONE
I'M NOT SURE WHEN HE'LL BE HOME SO
LOOKS LIKE I'M FREE FOR THE NIGHT
smile
!
COME ON
UM.

OH...
THAT WAS
batan
ZROOM
KANAE AND FUJIMOTO
?
!

SORRY TAKASHI
BUT YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GAVE FUUKI'N TO ME
ACT. 2 (前半) END

■SEX:MALE / AGE:16 / BLOOD TYPE:UNKNOWN■

■HIROYA FUJIMOTO

藤本裕也

6月19日生まれの双子座
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金髪　短ランの自他共に認める"不良"

■SEX:MALE / AGE:27 / BLOOD TYPE:AB■

真木千里

■CHISATO MAKI■

陸の義兄で、フリーのヘアデザイナー
オフの日には母親の店(美容院)を手伝うことも
現在、陸とマンションで二人暮らし

斉田叶

■KANAE SAITA■

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千里の高校時代からの親友
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PROLOGUE

YATTERANEEZE!

MIDORIGAOKA PREFECTURAL SCHOOL OF HIGHER EDUCATION
1-A
PUBLIC ENTRANT CLASS 1A, NUMBER 32: FUJIMOTO HIROYA
VICE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT COUNCIL. GRADES AT THE TOP OF HIS CLASS AND AN HONOR STUDENT IN THE ARTS
FUJIMOTO-KUN WHAT'S WRONG? IS SOMETHING BOTHERING YOU?
KYA
I'M
FEAST YOUR EYES ON THAT SAD FACE ♡
I'M KIND OF SICK OF THIS-----
English

THIS GUY IS HATORI KEN. HE FELL 12 POINTS SHORT OF THE HIGHEST GRADE ON THE MID-TERM EXAMS
THIS TIME I'LL LET YOU HAVE THE TOP SLOT FOR THIS TERM
HEY FUJIMOTO
I CAN'T GIVE UP MY "ZEAL FOR STUDYING" WITHOUT BETRAYING OTHER PEOPLE'S EXPECTATIONS
AND EVERYONE'S GOT ME PEGGED AS A "GOOD KID" THOUGH I NEVER ASKED FOR IT
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M STUDYING TO COMPETE WITH YOU
MY EXAM GRADE WAS GOOD BUT, EITHER WAY IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FINE BY ME
I DON'T REALLY CARE IF EVERYONE PRAISES ME ABOUT BEING THE FIRST IN THE CLASS OR ANYTHING

AND MOREOVER- -
EVER SINCE I WAS BORN I'VE HAD A "SHY" CHARACTER
IF I HAD MY CHOICE I'D TRADE SKILL IN MATH FOR SKILL IN SPORTS ANY DAY
STUDYING JUST HAPPENS TO BE THE ONLY THING I'M GOOD AT----
EITHER WAY IT'S FINE WITH ME
EVEN IF THAT MEANT FORGETTING ALL THE ENGLISH VOCABULARY I KNOW I WOULD DO IT-----
waaa
IF I COULD TRADE PLACES WITH SOMBONE SUNNY AND SOCIAL
HAA
EH
MASAKI MADE A GOAL!?

AND IT'S HATORI'S FAULT I MISSED IT
hate
glower
WHAT'S THIS? PLAYING SOCCER WITH EXAMS COMING UP? ISN'T THAT NICE ?
MASAKI...
HE'S ALWAYS THE LEADER AT RECESS
HIS NAME ISN'T EVEN ON THE TOP 100 RANKING AT ALL, BUT
MASAKI
HE'S NOT VERY SMART. BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN HE'S ONLY FRIENDS WITH THE PUNKS
HE'S POPULAR WITH THE NORMAL KIDS TOO

clunk
AAAH, WHY YOU
NICE PASS!
JUUNJI, OVER HERE!
WAAA, SORRY
YOU BLOCKHEAD
I YELLED FOR YOU TO SHOOT IT NOT BOUNCE IT OFF THE SIDE!
SO THAT'S WHAT IT'S LIKE BEING NORMAL
...LUCKY
THEY'RE NEVER GOING TO PASS THEIR ENTRANCE EXAMS AT THIS RATE
GEEZ, THEY'RE ALL IDIOTS
AAH, THIS GUY HEARD THAT HUH?

I TRIED TO PLAY SOCCER AND BASEBALL
IDIOTS LIKE THEM WILL NEVER GET INTO A GOOD SCHOOL OR GET DECENT JOBS
I WANT TO GO DOWN THERE
----EH?
BUT IT ALWAYS GOT IN THE WAY OF CRAM SCHOOL OR MY HOME STUDIES I NEVER HAD TIME FOR IT
MAYBE THE REAL IDIOTS ARE THEY ONES WHO SPEND THE SUMMER VACATION OF THEIR 10TH YEAR STUDYING
NEVER NEVER
turn

IT'S NOT LIKE HE WAS LOOKING AT ME RIGHT...
thump
thump
SEE YA--
I'VE GOT A CLUB MEETING---
1-F
EH---
I WONDER IF MASAKI-S STILL HERE.....
B U M P
AAH I'M SORRY

SORRY, MAN!
NOW WAIT JUST A MINUTE MASAKI!
GEEEZ
CLASS-SKIPPER! LIAR!! FORKED-TONGUED DEVIL---!!
OH MY, AND HE LAID THE VICE PRESIDENT FLAT TOO?
STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBER
HAA
HA HA
I JUST WASN'T WATCHING WHERE I WAS GOING
AND I DID GET A PRETTY GOOD LOOK AT HIM FROM BEHIND

MASAKI...
TIME TO MAKE A PLAN OF ACTION
AS SOON AS SUMMER VACATION COMES AROUND
I'M GONNA GO FOR IT...!
大学会模擬試験会場

CLOSING CEREMONY
NOW I REALIZE THAT TOMORROW IS THE BEGINNING OF A WONDERFUL SUMMER VACATION FOR ALL BUT---------
STUDENT COUNCIL ROOM
HA---- NOW I CAN FINALLY RELAX

THE HOMEROOMS ARE ALL FINISHED UP AND WE'RE DONE CLEANING HERE TOO----
I'M POOPED
WELL I'M GOING HOME
SEE YA LATER PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT
LATER
NICE WORKING WITH YOU
STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT: TAIJA SHINICHIRO; TOKYO UNIVERSITY HOPEFUL
OH GEEZ, SUMMER VACATION HUH?
I'VE GOT TO START THINKING ABOUT THE SUMMER SESSION DAMN...
HAAA
IT SURE IS HOT ISN'T IT
HOW ABOUT YOU AND I GO AND GET SOMETHING TO EAT AND COOL DOWN AT THE "DAI MON" IN CHINA-TOWN?
CAN'T- SORRY BUT I'VE GOT AN APPOINTMENT TONIGHT
NICE WORKING WITH YOU
click
HE'S GONE, HUH

HMM. SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
I'D LIKE TO GET SOMETHING COOLER FOR SUMMER
THOUGH WITH YOUR FACE I THINK SOMETHING LIKE THIS ONE WOULD SUIT YOU BEST DON'T YOU THINK?
THOUGH THIS CUT'S A BIT LONGER THAN THE OTHER
THAT SO
SOMETHING FLASHY LIKE THIS WOULD BE NICE BUT I DON'T KNOW—

WELL NORMALLY WE DO THIS ONE WITH FULL-ON BLEACH BUT THE CHIEF THINKS WE COULD LIGHTEN UP ON IT AND GIVE YOU A COLOR THAT ISN'T QUITE AS BRIGHT
HE WAS THINKING SOMETHING IN A CHESTNUT COLOR FADING DOWN TO YOUR NATURAL ROOTS IN THE BACK
AS FOR THE CUT, THE CHIEF SAID HE WANTS TO DO IT HIMSELF
OK
WE'VE GOT A TOUGH CALL HERE
CHIEF, WOULD YOU MIND? WE NEED A CONSULTATION
HM?
YOU KNOW? IT'S A BIG DEAL TO GET A CUT FROM THE CHIEF HERE
HE'S USUALLY PRETTY BUSY CUTTING AND STYLING BIG-PAYING CUSTOMERS LIKE SINGERS AND ACTORS
THAT'S WHY NO ONE CAN SEE HIM WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT. YOU'RE A PRETTY LUCKY ONE--
HMM, SO HE'S FAMOUS
KARA

curtain
curtain
skip
skip
skip
skip
skip
kshhh
HOW'S THIS?
THANK YOU SO MUCH!
paaa

AHAA
!?
SO I DIDN'T TURN OUT THE SAME BLOND THAT MASAKI IS BUT STILL
NOW AT LEAST I LOOK THE PART
(HUM)
NO MORE STUDY-CRAZED-HONOR-STUDENT FOR ME!
OOPS
SORRY EXCUSE ME!
MASAKI !?
catch
SAY WHAT?
SO WE MEET AGAIN

JUST BECAUSE I WAS ALWAYS WATCHING HIM DOESN'T MEAN HE WAS WATCHING ME
THAT'S RIGHT MASAKI DOESN'T KNOW WHO I AM...
ping!
HEY, ARE YOU FREE RIGHT NOW?
I WANTED TO GO SHOPPING AFTER THIS BUT YOU'VE GOT THE LOOK I'M GOING FOR
IF YOU'LL GO WITH ME I'LL BUY YOU A BURGER TO MAKE UP FOR YOUR TROUBLE
...
thump
WH...WHY ISN'T HE SAYING ANYTHING...
WHAT DO I DO?
thump
I'D BE SO EMBARRASSED IF HE REFUSES
WHA-WHAT DO I DO...
thump

OKAY--
I'LL GO WITH YOU, UNTIL YOU GET TO KNOW THE SHOPS
HEH
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER BEEN PICKED UP BY A GUY
grin
WE-- WELL IT'S MY FIRST TIME PICKING UP A GUY TOO

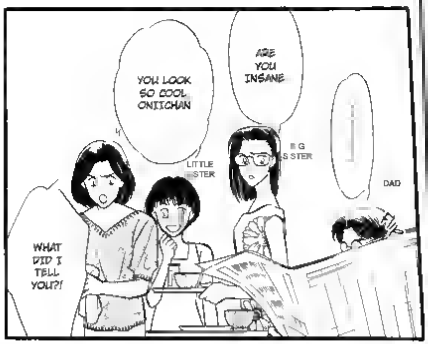
SORRY ABOUT THAT
IT'S A CUT FROM THE CHIEF RIGHT? I'LL FIX IT UP ALL NICE AGAIN WITH A FINGER BRUSH
WAAA, CUT IT OUT... CAN YOU MAKE OUTFITS FOR ME
SO THAT'S WHY YOU'VE BEEN SO OBEDIANT FROM THE START IT'S ALRIGHT TO SPEAK UP!
ruffle
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE HAD YOUR HAIR LIKE THIS TOO, ISN'T IT?
SORRY I AM KIND OF HOPELESS WITH CLOTHES
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE BOUGHT THEM FOR MYSELF
slide
JUST LIKE THAT
LOOK

COULD IT BE YOU HAVEN'T EVEN GOT AN NINTENDO EITHER?
I TOLD YOU I JUST MOVED HERE FROM A PLACE WAY OUT IN THE BOONDOCKS DIDN'T I?
WE JUST GOT A TV LAST YEAR
I CAN'T JUST SAY "I'M A FRESHMAN IN THE SAME HIGHSCHOOL AS YOU"
YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?!
OF COURSE I AM
WHY YOU LITTLE
TO THINK A COUNTRY BUMPKIN LIKE YOU HAS ENOUGH COURAGE TO TRY AND PULL THE WOOL OVER MY EYES
ACK— THAT HURTS CUT IT OUT

HEY LISTEN
IF IT'S ALRIGHT WITH YOU MAYBE WE COULD HANG OUT TOGETHER AGAIN? OR WOULD THAT BE STRANGE?
HAVEN'T GOT MUCH MONEY
HUH?
IT DOESN'T REALLY BOTHER ME I MEAN— I LIKE JUST LOOKING AT CLOTHES
AH— THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT NOT SHOPPING
I JUST THOUGHT MAYBE WE COULD JUST HAVE FUN TOGETHER
SHUFUNNN
カラオケ

I KNOW "MASAKI" BUT
UH UM
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
KATAN
OK
WAAH
OKAY ! OKAY!?
9XXX-8139
I'LL CALL YOU!
MASAKI
RYUU
I GUESS THAT MEANS I EVEN THOUGH I HAD A GREAT TIME
HE DIDN'T ASK MY NAME THOUGH
I'LL REMEMBER
MASAKI PROBABLY DOESN'T THINK I'M THAT MUCH FUN TO HANG OUT WITH
THANKS FOR TODAY
I'M SORRY FOR DRAGGING YOU ALONG
WANT TO GO SEE "NIGHT-LINE"?
TOMORROW IN FRONT OF PLAZA 2 AT 9 O'CLOCK
EH
I'LL BE THERE!!

OH YEAH
Fuu
DIDN'T CATCH YOUR NAME
ALRIGHT...
CATCH YA LATER!
...FU...
FUJI-SAWA...
FUJI
Hmm
WELL THEN FUJISAWA, DON'T BE LATE
pat
I'M SEEING A MOVIE WITH MASAKI
HE'S GOT A REPUTATION FOR BEING KIND OF "A TOUGH GUY"
BUT STILL AN "HONOR STUDENT" LIKE ME
WITH MASAKI!


YOU LOOK SO COOL ONICHAN
ARE YOU INSANE
LITTLE SISTER
BIG SISTER
DAD
WHAT DID I TELL YOU?!

IT'S ONLY FOR THE VACATION I'LL DYE IT BLACK AGAIN BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN
HIRO-CHAN WHAT IN HEAVEN'S NAME WERE YOU THINKING?!
HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT YOUR REPUTATION? WHY ON EARTH DID YOU DO THAT TO YOUR HEAD?

AH
AFTER TOMORROW DON'T WORRY ABOUT WAKING ME UP IN THE MORNING I'M NOT GOING TO WORRY ABOUT SUMMER SESSION THIS YEAR
I'M JUST RELAXING NORMALLY
EU BUT WHY? DID SOMETHING HAPPEN ?

OPERATION SELF-TRANSFORMATION IS A GIANT SUCCESS!!
HI HIRO-CHAN
MOM

YOUR SON'S GOING TO TAKE THE SUMMER TO HIMSELF RELAXING LIKE ALL THE OTHER IDIOTS
YUP! THAT'S RIGHT
hu
SUMMER SESSION
I'm not going to open a single book, attend a single seminar or go to any classes I can possibly avoid
I'll just take the test next year based on my own ability and trust to that
so
THIS IS MY SUMMER
PLEASE DON'T DO OR SAY ANYTHING TO MESS IT UP!

chatter
I'M A LITTLE EARLY... OH WELL
chatter
tick
tick
tick
tick
tick
tick
tick
tick
glare
WAS HE JUST TEASING ME YESTERDAY...?
NO, I'M SURE MASAKI JUST OVERSLEPT. HE'S NOT THE KIND OF GUY WHO WOULD MAKE A CRUEL JOKE LIKE THIS
I'M SURE
HE TOLD ME DIRECTLY AND HE WOULDN'T BREAK A PROMISE---

BUT WHAT DO I REALLY KNOW ABOUT MAGIC--?
I KNOW HOW TO WRITE HIS NAME THAT HE'S CALLED "MASAKI" BUT THIS FIRST NAME "RYU"
AND HIS HOME NUMBER------
HE COULD BE A LIAR, A HEARTLESS WHO BRIGHTLY ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE AWAY...
MAYBE TEACHING ME ABOUT FASHION AND HANGING OUT WITH ME WAS A HUGE PAIN IN THE ASS AND HE WANTS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME NOW
KYA
collapse
SPIN.
Ha
Sha
THAT'S IT. HIS PHONE NUMBER!

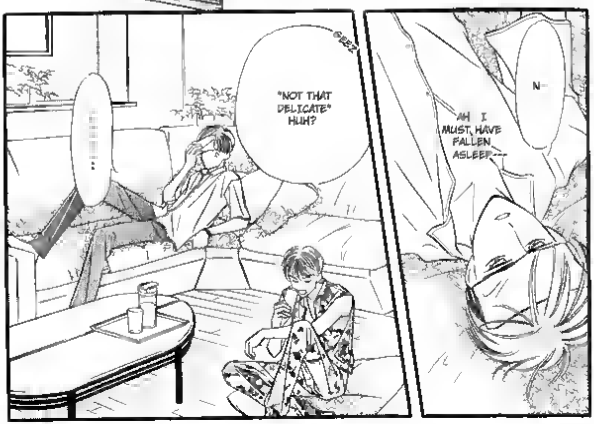
AH...
IT'S THE CHIEF OF THAT HAI SALON...
HEY
WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
HE~~~~Y
HEY GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF!!

I THOUGHT I'D BEEN TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL
HEAT EXHUASTION JUST LIKE I THOUGHT
IT WOULD BE BEST IF YOU JUST TAKE IT EASY FOR A LITTLE WHILE
I'VE GOT TO HEAD BACK TO WORK BUT I'LL CALL MY LITTLE BROTHER TO LOOK AFTER YOU
AH—
*AFFECTIONATE TERM FOR AN OLDER BROTHER
GEEEZ, ANIKI* I'M A BUSY GUY YOU KNOW THAT! WHAT'S WITH CALLING ME IN TO TAKE CARE OF INVALIDS?!
click
----EH ?
THAT VOICE
I'VE GOT A PART-TIME JOB TOO YA KNOW
.....
MASK... COULDN'T IT BE THE CHIEF IS YOUR OLDER BROTHER

HE FAINTED IN FRONT OF PLAZA 2, TAKE CARE OF HIM, WILL YA
hat
CLOSE
HEY YOU, REMEMBER YOUR MANNERS FOR A WHILE, WON'T YOU?
AND DON'T YOU WORRY ABOUT ANYTHING YOU JUST TAKE YOUR TIME AND REST UP
WHEN YOU'RE FEELING WELL ENOUGH TAKASHI WILL SEE YOU HOME
TAKASHI
WHO ARE YOU— REALLY
SHUT UP
I TOLD YOU TO CALL ME RYUU

GOIN' HOME?
THANKS FOR NOTHING PLEASE GIVE MY REGARDS TO YOUR BROTHER HE'S A NICE GUY
I'M SORRY TO HAVE TROUBLED YOU BOTH...
I BROKE THAT PROMISE ON PURPOSE
YOU COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT A BIT MORE DIRECTLY...?
click
BUT I GUESS I MISTOOK YOU FOR SOMEONE WITH PRINCIPLES HUH?
gbaaare
HEAT...
ook
dash
IDIOT DON'T PUSH YOURSELF!

I'M GOING HOME
SHUT UP I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR YOU AND I CAN'T HAVE GUESTS DYING ON THE DOOR-STEP
ANIKI WILL TEAR ME TO SHREDS
I'M NOT THAT DELICATE
UGH...
WA...WAIT. IDIOT...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AH I MUST HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP...
SIGH
"NOT THAT DELICATE" HUH?

SORRY I'LL GO HOME
YOU CAN'T YET
I CAN AND I WILL
ARE YOU TRYING TO BE SARCASTIC WITH THAT!?
YOU'RE REALLY A PAIN, HUH?
THEN LET ME GO HOME SO I WON'T BOTHER YOU
LOOK, IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT! YOU'RE STILL A GOOD KID— IT'S MY FAULT YOU FAINTED, ISN'T IT?
AND YOU'RE JUST GOING TO LET IT GO WITH THIS PASSIVE REACTION?
I KNOW YOU MUST HATE ME SO
JUST LET ME GO CRAWL UNDER MY COVERS AND CRY ALRIGHT!
YOU—

YOU'RE KIDDING----!
AREN'T YOU----!?
ha
SAKURAGAWA
IT'S TRUE
I KNEW, IT EVEN WHEN IT FIRST LOOKED LIKE HE'D STOOD ME UP? BUT I STAYED THERE HOPING THAT IT WAS WRONG HAVING FUN HANGING OUT WITH ME YESTER DAY WAS A LIE
I THOUGHT THAT IF I CHANGED MYSELF I COULD BE YOUR FRIEND BUT I GUESS IT'S HOPELESS FOR A GUY LIKE ME
IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT YOU'D FIND A GUY LIKE ME BORING--
ACCEPTING THAT WAS JUST TOO SAD----
I'M SUCH AN IDIOT
EH? WHAT
hahaha ha
ARE YOU CRYING?

.....
akku
hikku
BUT... AH HAHA... IT'S HOPELESS... ISN'T IT?
I... I WANTED... FREEDOM... LIKE... YOU...
I... I WANTED TO BE... SOMEONE ELSE
hikku
hikku
YOU WANT TO TRY A PIERCING?
EH
HOW ABOUT ONE RIGHT HERE?
I CHANGED... BECAUSE I... THOUGHT... I WANTED... TO BE F-FRIENDS WITH YOU

I'M SURE IT WOULD LOOK NICE ON YOU, IT WOULD MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE
WHAT? DOES IT FEEL GOOD HERE?
ST... STOP IT
DID IT REALLY FEEL THAT GOOD?
IT TICKLED! I'M REALLY TICKLISH...
HEH
...I DON'T KNOW ABOUT NEEDLES THAT'S HOW THEY DO IT RIGHT?
IF I DID THAT... WOULD HE BE MY FRIEND -?
I'LL DO IT FOR YOU IF YOU WANT

IS THAT REALLY ALRIGHT ?
FIND AN BARRING YOU LIKE BUY IT AND BRING IT OVER I'LL DO IT FOR YOU
NOTHING TOO EXPENSIVE AND SOFT GOLD OR ANYTHING WITH GOLD PLATING DOESN'T WORK SO GREAT
ALRIGHT
A HOLE FOR AN BARRING
WOULD IT DISAPPEAR BEFORE THE NEW SEMESTER ?
----IT WOULD BE ALRIGHT IF IT DIDN'T
I'M GLAD TO HAVE CHANGED MY HAIR AND MY CLOTHES IT'S REALLY A GREAT FEELING
BUT THE CONDITIONS FOR BEING MASAKI'S FRIEND AREN'T JUST THAT
I'M WILLING TO BEAR ANY WOUNDS IT TAKES

IS IT A GIFT? WHAT'S YOUR BUDGET?
WELL HOW MUCH ARE THEY USUALLY?
WELL THESE ARE OUR BUDGET SELECTIONS RIGHT HERE
WHICH ONES ARE 18 CARAT?

I'LL GET THE PIERCING

ALL OF THEM ARE

UM...
I'D LIKE TO GET SOME EARRINGS BUT
18 carat maybe.

Hair Salon MAKI
Hair Salon MAKI
HAIR SALON MAKI IS MASAKI'S MOTHER'S SHOP
EH
YOU ALREADY BOUGHT THEM ?!
SORRY BUT I CAN'T LEAVE FOR AWHILE
PROBABLY TONIGHT AROUND 7 BACK AT THE APARTMENT WOULD BE BEST
YOU'RE HELPING OUT YOUR FAMILY IT CAN'T BE HELPED
IT'S ALRIGHT I THOUGHT I MIGHT GO SEE A MOVIE ANYWAY WHAT TIME WILL YOU BE FREE?

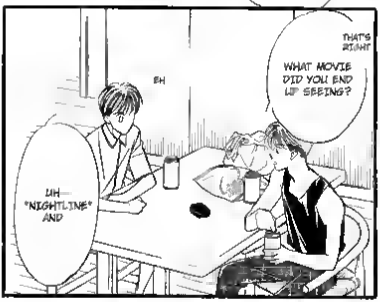
NIGHT RUN
ALRIGHT

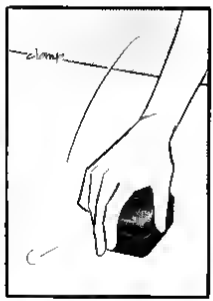
IS IT ALRIGHT TO USE HIS PLACE FOR THIS?
isn't this your brother's place.
JUST GOT HOME NOW TOO
crunch
THIS IS MY PLACE TOO
MY MOM'S BEEN MARRIED THREE TIMES SHE LIVES ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF THE SHOP WITH HER CURRENT FAMILY
click
OJAMASHIMASU"
HEY, THIS TURNED OUT GREAT ANIKI'S NOT COMING HOME TONIGHT
*SAID WHEN ENTERING SOMEONE ELSE'S HOME
WHEN MY LITTLE BROTHER WAS BORN THAT MADE 3 OF US, ALL BY DIFFERENT FATHERS
it's better this way I think
gilug
gilug

YEAH, I LIKED THE COLOR OF THE REAL ONES BEST
they were expensive, though
Fuuu—n
NOT BAD AT ALL

THEY THOUGHT IT WAS A PRESENT
EVEN PUT A RIBBON ON IT
HYOEEE~~~ RUBIES HUH?

BEER REALLY IS BEST FOR THE SUMMER
Aaaaah
gulp gulp


THAT'S RIGHT
WHAT MOVIE DID YOU END UP SEEING?
EH
UH— "NIGHTLINE" AND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AH
AND AFTER I SAW "HEATHUNTER"
YE— YEAH I GUESS—
SO YOU SAW IT? PRETTY COOL HUH?

IT WAS REALLY INTERESTING THERE WERE LOTS OF REALLY GOOD SUB PLOTS WOVEN INTO THE STORYLINE
HEEH~~~~ BUT WHAT ABOUT THE DIRECTION
---AND
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU CAN KEEP UP WITH ME DRINKING TOO NEVER WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT FROM LOOKING AT YOU THOUGH
I GUESS MY FIRST INSTINCT WAS WRONG
HEH----
MASAKI SEEMS TO HAVE FORGOTTEN ALL ABOUT GIVING ME THE PIERCING
WHILE WE'RE ON THAT SUBJECT WHICH DO YOU THINK IS BETTER TASTING? COKE? OR PEPSI?
UM
HM?
I WANTED TO GET THE PIERCING QUICKLY IF I COULD BUT--

OH— THAT
UNLESS ME DI...N'T WANT TO DO IT
IT'S REALLY OKAY THOUGH, I CAN DO IT MYSELF
DO YOU KNOW HOW?
IT'S JUST POKING A HOLE THROUGH YOUR EAR RIGHT? I CAN DO IT
- -ARE YOU SERIOUS?
I'LL DO IT I PROMISED I WOULD
sniff

----LEAVE IT LIKE THAT FOR ABOUT A WEEK SO THE HOLE DOESN'T CLOSE UP
BUTSU...
THAT'S IT THAT WAS ALL? AND IT'LL HEAL THAT QUICKLY?
WHAAT?! BOTH LOOKS STUPID
REALLY?
IT DIDN'T HURT AT ALL! YOU CAN DO THE OTHER ONE NOW
YEAH JUST THE RIGHT ONE IS BETTER*

*IN THE LATE 70S-EARLY 80S AN EARRING IN THE RIGHT EAR SIGNIFIED PREFERENCE FOR A PASSIVE ROLE IN ANY SEX

"HEY HOT-STUFF. HOW ABOUT YOU KEEP ME COMPANY TONIGHT--"
KEEP YOU COMPANY
YOU'LL HAVE TO KEEP ME COMPANY ALL NIGHT
IF YOU DO THAT, I'LL ACCEPT IT
I REALLY DON'T KNOW ANYTHING DO YOU?
MUST'VE SAID SOMETHING STUPID AGAIN
THEN... CAN YOU USE THE OTHER ONE?
IF YOU WANT, I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU
YOU
WE CAN'T EACH WEAR ONE EARRING FROM THE SAME PAIR IT MEANS YOU'RE LOVERS
normally---
AH IS THAT RIGHT
HEH... I'LL TAKE IT IF YOU WANT ME TO BUT

ARE YOU TRYING TO HIT ON ME…?
…BUT WE'RE BOTH GUYS THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT
ha ha ha
I---DIOT
YOU'RE REALLY SOMETHING YA KNOW THAT? I JUST THOUGHT YOU'RE AN INTERESTING GUY AND YOU MIGHT WANT TO STAY OVERNIGHT AND HANG OUT
DRINK SOME BEER, WATCH VIDEOS SHIT LIKE THAT
I'M INTERESTING!?
I DO
HM----?
HOW TO BE A COOL GUY?
CHICKEN FINGERS

HM?
HE'S HAD A LOT TO DRINK BUT HIS FACE ISN'T EVEN A LITTLE FLUSHED! HE'S SO COOL
I'M SURE MASAKI'S PROBABLY A LOT LIKE THE HERO OF NIGHTLINE?
UMM
RUM AND COKE
AND THEN ONCE YOU PICK A GIRL UP, YOU NEED TO CHARM HER----
WELL I GUESS YOU NEED TO GET GOOD AT PICKING UP WHATEVER KIND OF GIRLS YOU WANT
YEAH
ONCE YOU KNOW HOW TO DO THAT YOU'LL BE ONE OF US BASTARDS
WHAT? YOU MEAN LIKE SEX?
I GUESS YOU PROBABLY HAVE DONE STUFF BEFORE
WHAT IS IT?
THE TIME I PICKED YOU UP OUTSIDE THE SHOP THAT WAS MY FIRST DATE OTHER THAN THAT NOTHING
NO I I'M KIND OF LATE, I KNOW... BUT I'VE NEVER HAD A DATE WITH A GIRL BEFORE
WHAT ABOUT YOU? HAVE YOU EVER KISSED SOMEONE BEFORE?
THOUGH "NIGHTLINE" WOULD HAVE BEEN THE SECOND

I GUESS...
CLOSE YOUR EYES

WANT ME TO TEACH YOU?
EH?

YOU'VE NEVER KISSED BEFORE RIGHT?
SERIOUS
YOU CAN'T BE COOL AND PICK UP GIRLS IF YOU DON'T KNOW HOW TO KISS

HOW WAS THAT?
TASTED LIKE PIZZA
YOU'RE SO NOT SEXY...
BUT...
I DIDN'T REALLY FEEL ANYTHING ELSE...
ALRIGHT THEN ONCE MORE
EH
NO THAT'S ALRIGHT
SIT HERE BY ME!
ALRIGHT NOW LISTEN KISSING IS THIS A IN ABC
BEFORE YOU CAN GET ANYWHERE WITH A GIRL YOU'VE GOT TO GET HER JUICES FLOWIN' I'M GONNA TEACH YOU HOW TO MAKE HER CRAZY SO
PAY ATTENTION

FEEL GOOD?
ku
YE S
s-aku
MH
NO
MINE IS SMALL
COME ON IT'S ALRIGHT
ST STOP IT LET GO
IT FEELS GOOD DOESN'T IT?

DON'T WORRY IT'LL GET BIGGER
WHILE WE'RE AT IT I'LL TEACH YOU ABOUT SEX TOO
SEX!?
BUT I- I'M A GUY!?
YEAH, BUT WE HAVEN'T GOT A GIRL HERE DO WE?
N NO
GIRL
HEEH SO YOU'RE A BRIEFS GUY
E DON'T LOOK IT-IT'S STRANGE
WHAT IS? IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER THAT WE'RE BOTH GUYS

I WASN'T THINKING IT WAS STRANGE BECAUSE WE WERE BOTH GUYS BUT...
LOOK, YOU'VE JERKED YOURSELF OFF BEFORE HAVEN'T YOU? THIS IS THE EXACT SAME THING JUST WITH TWO
I'LL SHOW YOU MINE TOO SO YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE EMBARRASSED IT'S JUST PRACTICE

PRACTICE...?
I WANT TO SEE MUSAKI-S TOO BUT...
WA
HUH
HOLY SHIT...
I WIN DON'T I?
AAH
JUST MAKE A FIST WITH YOUR HAND LIKE USUAL AND MOVE IT UP AND DOWN
O-
OKAY
BUT...

AAH
GOOD ISN'T IT? LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO COME
LE LET GO OF ME
I'M GOING TO COME
IT'S OKAY, DO IT
YOUR BRAIN PROBABLY NEEDS THE RELEASE AFTER ALL THAT TOUGH WORK AT SCHOOL
!!!
Pulse

<T/N :* THE BULLET TRAIN ^ ^ TEEHEE
HAA
HA.
SHIT FORGOT TO BRING THE TISSUES GEEZ MAN YOU'RE FASTER THAN THE SHINKANSEN*
BUUUSH
JUMP
WHAT? YOU GOIN' HOME? WHAT YOU DON'T LIKE ME ANYMORE?
BUT IT WAS GOOD WASN'T IT? MR HONOR STUDENT
IT WOULD MAKE YOU SLOWER
COULD IT BE YOU DON'T EVEN DO THIS ON YOUR OWN?

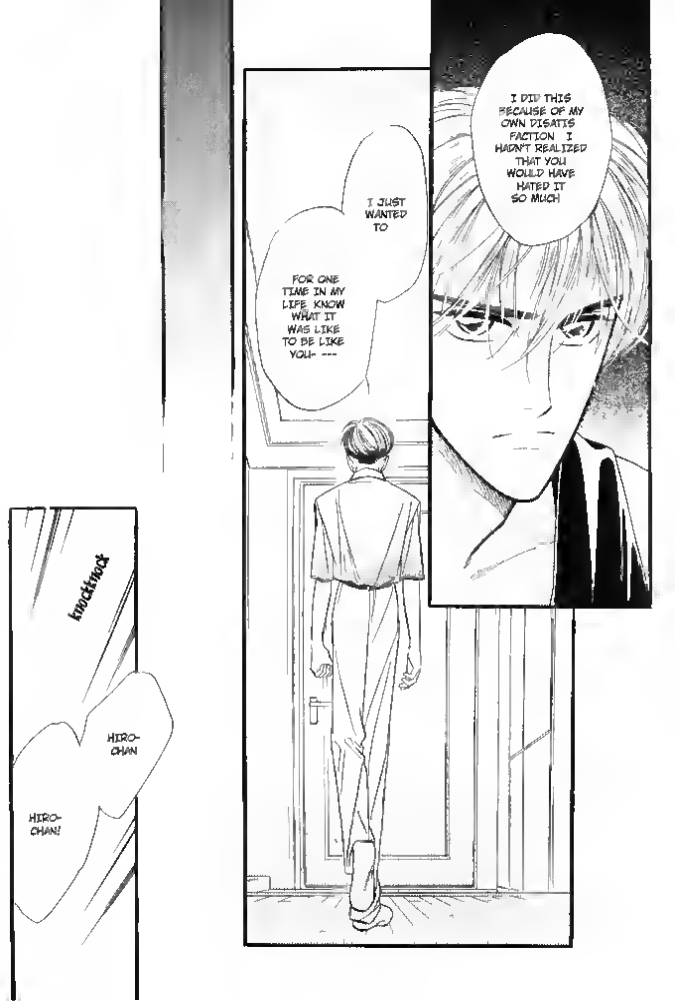
YOU WENT AFTER MINE NO PROBLEM AND WHAT YOU LACK IN SIZE YOU SURE MADE UP FOR IN COME!
Y— YOU KNEW DIDN'T YOU— FROM THE START YOU KNEW WHO I WAS
THEN YOU TRICKED ME— !
YOU LIED TO ME FIRST, DIDN'T YOU? WITH THE IMAGE CHANGE AND THAT "FUJISAWA" BULLSHIT
I DIDN'T SAY THAT BECAUSE I WANTED TO TRICK YOU...
DIDN'T YOU? CLASS 1A, FUJIMOTO HIROYA
SO THE ENDS JUSTIFY THE MEANS?
YOU JUST WANTED TO USE ME TO CHANGE YOURSELF FROM AN HONOR STUDENT TO AN "IDIOT" FOR KICKS... IS THAT IT?
THAT'S WHY YOU DECIDED TO HANG AROUND WITH A NICE GUY LIKE ME

---HEY...
HEY SMARTASS WHAT ARE YOU CRYING FOR? YOU'RE NOT A DEPRESSED GIRL ARE YOU?
I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN FROM THE TIME HE STOOD ME UP MAYBE I HAVE
HE KNEW ALL ALONG... AND I'VE BEEN AN IDIOT---!
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP AND FOR HANGING OUT WITH ME
I CHOSE YOUR CLOTHES
I TAUGHT YOU HOW TO POOL AROUND
SHOULDN'T YOU AT LEAST BE SAYING "THANK YOU!"?
YOU REALLY THINK THAT CRYING ACT IS GOING TO GET EVERYONE TO JUST PAT YOUR BACK AND SAY "IT'S ALRIGHT"?
.....!?

I... DON'T
THEN COULD IT BE YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I WAS AFTER ALL ALONG?
I... I DIDN'T
tch
YOU'RE NO FUN AT ALL
SHUK
FO... FOR THE PIZZA AND THE BEER
YEAH, THANKS
BUT YOU'RE SHORT 732 YEN
THAT'S ALL I HAVE AND I'M NOT PAYING ANY KIND OF HUSH-FEES
HEEH, WELL THEN I GUESS YOU REALLY DID CHANGE YOUR LIFE
I'M SURE YOUR CLASSMATES' OPINIONS OF YOU WILL CHANGE WHEN THEY HEAR FUJIMOTO-KUN THE TOP-SCORER IS A HAPPY HOMO WHO LIKES TO KISS GUYS
GIKUU

G...GO AHEAD...!
BUT YOU'D BE SCREWED TOO WOULDN'T YOU?
...ARE YOU THREATENING ME?
NO BUT IF YOU EXPOSE ME YOU EXPOSE YOURSELF TOO
IT'S JUST A NORMAL YOUTHFUL INDISCRETION
IT'S ALRIGHT FOR AN EASY-GOING PERSON LIKE ME
.....!!

HOW DIRTY...
TOTALLY FORGOT TO THINK OF ANY KIND OF SELF-PROTECTION WHEN I STARTED THIS PLAN
...I'M GOING TO CHANGE MY HAIR BACK TO BLACK BEFORE THE 2ND SEMESTER
WHEN THE SECOND SEMESTER STARTS, I'LL GO BACK TO BEING AN HONOR STUDENT
I THOUGHT IT COULD JUST SLIP RIGHT BACK INTO IT EASILY
FOR JUST ONE SUMMER I WANTED TO DO AS I LIKED AND THEN WHEN SCHOOL STARTS UP AGAIN, I'LL RESIGN MYSELF TO FATE
YESTERDAY AND THE DAY BEFORE THAT I'VE STUDIED LIKE ALWAYS
THE PLAN WAS TO PASS THE END-OF-TERM TEST AND BE IN THE CLEAR
BUT NOW
WHAT ABOUT NOW——?!


I DID THIS BECAUSE OF MY OWN DISATISFACTION. I HADN'T REALIZED THAT YOU WOULD HAVE HATED IT SO MUCH
I JUST WANTED TO
FOR ONE TIME IN MY LIFE, KNOW WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO BE LIKE YOU- ---
KNOCK KNOCK
HIRO-CHAN
HIRO-CHAN!

HE STILL ACTING LIKE AN IDIOT?
EVER SINCE... HE CAME HOME WITH THAT EARRING...
WON'T YOU TELL ME WHAT'S HAPPENED?! IT'S BEEN THREE DAYS ALREADY!
AND NOW YOU WON'T EVEN LEAVE YOUR ROOM...
WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED?! HIRO-CHAN!!
chaka
chaka
chaka

WHAT POINT IS A TRANSFORMATION THAT CAN ONLY LAST THE SUMMER ANYWAY?
IF I REALLY HATE BEING AN HONOR STUDENT, I SHOULD JUST QUIT STUDYING AND SCHOOL ALTOGETHER
BUT SINCE I COULD NEVER DO ANYTHING THAT DARING I GUESS I SHOULD PROBABLY JUST GIVE UP AND DO WHAT WOULD MAKE MY PARENTS HAPPY!!
I DON'T WANT TO BE AN HONOR STUDENT JUST FOR MY PARENTS !
I DON'T WANT TO
—BUT
IT'S JUST A NORMAL YOUTHFUL INDISCRETION
I DON'T THINK IT WAS THOUGH
WHENEVER I THINK ABOUT MY PLAN I DON'T THINK OF IT AS AN "INDISCRETION" AT ALL——!
AND HE REALLY HURT ME I DON'T THINK I CAN DO THIS ANYMORE ------
IT'S ALRIGHT FOR AN EASY-GOING PERSON LIKE ME

I WANTED TO BE FREE
TO BECOME FREE... WASN'T IT?
I WANTED FREEDOM
I DIDN'T JUST WANT TO BE THE PERFECT HONOR STUDENT
I WANTED TO DECIDE SOMETHING FOR MYSELF WITHOUT MY FAMILY'S INTERFERENCE
BECOME SOMEONE WHO'S POPULAR AND GOOD AT SPORTS...?
HIS LOOKS?
---- IT IS WANT TO BE BE LIKE MASAKI----
WHAT DID I THINK I COULD CHANGE?
WHAT WAS I DOING FROM THE START?

SO I WANTED TO TRY DOING WHAT I WANTED TO DO FOR AWHILE
WHATEVER THE RISK, WHATEVER THE DANGER----
MASAKI TAKASHI IS WHAT I WANT
THAT'S WHY I LONGED FOR MASAKI
HE'S TOTALLY FREE AND I FEEL THE SAME WAY CLOSE TO HIM

I STILL
LIKE MASAKI
I KIND OF WANT TO TRY ONE MORE TIME TO FIX THINGS BETWEEN US.....
.....
OK!
THAT'S WHAT I'LL DO
AH
BUT.....

THE FOOLING AROUND...
DOES MASAKI ALWAYS DO THINGS LIKE THAT WITH HIS FRIENDS.....?
I GUESS THAT WOULD MAKE SENSE. HE SEEMED EXPERIENCED.
...IN WHICH CASE I GUESS MAYBE IF I'D DONE A BETTER JOB MAKING MASAKI FEEL GOOD IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN SO STRANGE
MASAKI'S HANDS AND HIS KISS
THEY FELT REALLY GOOD

click
ding dong
GYOO
YO
RABBIT CLUB
I JUST CAME TO TALK...
COME IN

I'VE BEEN GIVING IT SOME THOUGHT AND...
----I WAS WRONG
I DIDN'T REALLY THINK OF IT AS JUST A NORMAL INDISCRETION
I WAS BEING NAIVE... I'M SORRY
I ALWAYS HATED BEING AN HONOR STUDENT
I'VE BEEN WATCHING YOU ENVIOUSLY SINCE I STARTED HIGHSCHOOL---
AND I DID DYE MY HAIR TO BE MORE LIKE YOU
AND I GOT THE PIERCING BECAUSE YOU RECOMMENDED IT
IF I DIDN'T HAVE YOU TO LOOK UP TO I'D BE TOTALLY LOST

I'M NOT THE GOOD KID THAT MY PARENTS AND TEACHERS THINK I AM ANY MORE. I'VE ALREADY DONE THINGS TO PROVE THAT.
ORIGINALLY IT WAS ONLY GOING TO BE FOR THE SUMMER. BUT NOW I DON'T KNOW IF I WANT TO GO BACK TO THE WAY I WAS NEXT SEMESTER.
AND... WHAT I REALLY WANT TO SAY IS... UM...
PLEASE BE MY FRIEND.
IF— IF YOU JUST GAVE ME ANOTHER CHANCE...
BUT YOU PROBABLY DON'T WANT TO —

thump
thump
thump
THUMP
ARE YOU...
STUPID OR SOMETHING.....?
...YEAH... I GUESS IT'S THIS WAY AFTER ALL.....
...YEAH
I GUESS I AM
gatagata
SORRY
SORRY FOR BOTHERING YOU

CATCH
!?
SHIT
I CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE!
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO BE SUCH A DENSE IDIOT?!
SORRY I REALLY TRIED TO THINK IT THROUGH SERIOUSLY BUT
YOU'RE REALLY NOT NORMAL AT ALL
I GUESS NOT
YOU'RE A TOTAL WEIRDO

I GET IT. I'LL STUDY AND GET BACK ON TRACK
WELL MAYBE YOU'RE NORMAL FOR A KINDER-GARTENER
EEH!—
BECAUSE I REALLY LIKE YOU!
DIDN'T YOU THINK IT WAS USELESS BEFORE YOU EVEN CAME OVER HERE?
I DON'T KNOW. BUT MAYBE IT WAS USELESS
BUT YOU TOOK THE CHANCE ANYWAY?
YOU CAN TRUST ME AT LEAST THAT FAR
SO IF YOU WANT ME TO STOP FOLLOW-ING YOU AROUND, I WILL
THOUGH I KNOW I'M PROBABLY JUST BOTHERING YOU NOW

YOU REALLY ARE A POOR LITTLE RICH BOY WHO'S BEEN KEPT LIKE A SPOILED HOUSE-CAT AREN'T YOU?
—WELL IF YOU WANT TO THINK THAT YOU'RE FREE TO—
DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO GO HOME TO NO ONE? TO NOT BE ABLE TO EAT UNLESS YOU COULD SCROUNGE UP SOME DINNER FOR YOURSELF?
NO
YOUR OLD MAN AND MOM PROBABLY LISTEN TO ANYTHING YOU WANT TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT TOO HUH?
I DON'T TALK TO THEM VERY MUCH BUT—
EVERY TIME YOU TRY TO SAY SOMETHING DOES SOMEONE SHOUT "SHUT UP!" ?
YOU'VE NEVER KNOWN WHAT IT'S LIKE TO HAVE NO ONE AT ALL TO TALK TO HAVE YOU?
—WHAT KIND OF LUXURY DO YOU THINK I LIVE IN?

I SHOULD BE HAPPY TO BE CRAMMED SO TIGHTLY INTO THE MOLD MY PARENTS HAVE MADE FOR ME THAT I CAN'T BREATHE
I SHOULD BE HAPPY ABOUT THAT?
SO I GUESS I'M GRACED TO HAVE BEEN BORN TO AN OVER PROTECTIVE MOTHER AND A FATHER OBSESSED WITH ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
I DON'T KNOW IF WHAT I'M DOING IS RIGHT OR IF I'M MAKING A HUGE MISTAKE
I GUESS I SHOULD BE THRILLED TO BE PUSHED TO THE EXTREME AND REMINDED DAY BY DAY THAT EVERYTHING "IS FOR HIROYA'S SAKE"
BUT I'VE DONE WHAT THEY ASKED! I'VE GOTTEN THEIR PERFECT GRADES! CAN'T I JUST DO SOMETHING ELSE FOR A CHANGE?!
I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT IT IS THAT I WANT FOR MYSELF!!
SO SPEAK FOR YOURSELF!!!

SO I WANT TO BE WHATEVER IT IS THAT I REALLY AM!!
I'VE HAD ENOUGH
I'VE PUT UP WITH THIS TOO LONG
I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE
SORRY
I'LL GO HOME
OKAY

I KNOW THAT I'M NOTHING AT ALL TO YOU BUT...
BUT...

IF I CAN. SOMEDAY I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND
RABBIT CLUB

DAA
BLUUUUSH
EH...
FREE TOMORROW?
—YOU

EH ..!?
I AM
GOT AN EXTRA TICKET MEET AT 1 IN FRONT OF THE ORION?
..A MOVIE?

DON'T BE LATE

I'VE NEVER TRIED IT—
BUT I WANT TO

IDIOT THE ORION'S A BOWLING ALLEY

PROLOGUE END